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Calendar

Spring Bazaar

The Caribbean Students Association's Spring Bazaar features multiple games such as limbo, musical hula, the Caribbean version of Angry Birds, as well as prizes and more. The event will be from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on the East Mall.

Nonprofit & Government Career Fair

The University of Texas at Austin Coalition for Careers in Public Service hosts a variety of nonprofit and government employers at this career fair, open to anyone interested in nonprofit or public service career. The event will be held from 1-4 p.m. in the Etter-Harbin Alumni Center.

Walking and Riding on Campus

Ever narrowly escaped a collision on foot or bike? Share your input at our interactive mapping event: Mapping Conflict Areas on Campus at The Kickstand (on Speedway next to the East Mall) from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Enjoy a free cookie while you help make campus a safer place!

Today in history

In 1968

Just after 6 p.m. on April 4, 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. is fatally shot while standing on the balcony outside his second-story room at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tenn.



Quote to note

"Even though [Cronkite] has been out of journalism for a long time, his name still denotes strong commitment to the core journalism values we're trying to inspire in our students,"

— **Wanda Cash**
Journalism professor

NEWS PAGE 5

Report offers review, changes for B-On-Time Loan

By **Liz Farmer**
Daily Texan Staff

The Texas B-On-Time Loan program is facing criticism and recommendations for possible changes that could make it more widely available depending on the program's funding.

The Sunset Advisory Commission's review, released in March, critiqued the Texas Higher Education Co-

ordinating Board's work during the 2011-12 academic school year. It included a critique of the state's B-On-Time loan recommendations to lengthen the amount of time students have to complete college to get the loan forgiven, to increase promotion of the loan and to set requirements for credit scores.

In fiscal year 2010, the University did not administer \$1,255,154 of the total \$6,653,341 allocated to the Univer-

sity for B-On-Time loans. Student Financial Services director Tom Melecki said the total allocation has dropped to \$2,675,135 for next year.

"We're going to have to wait and see if we're going to have any B-On-Time loans for new borrowers," Melecki said.

The recommendation to set credit score requirements could pose a problem for some students, Melecki said, but getting a co-signer would be

one solution.

In order for the loan to be forgiven, in-state students must graduate with a 3.0 GPA in four years or with no more than six hours of course credit beyond degree requirements. If students do not meet this, then the loan must be paid back with a zero percent interest rate.

"This is a wonderful loan program," Melecki said. "I've never seen a loan program like this."

Melecki said it is difficult to communicate the advantages of the B-On-Time Loan to students because federal regulations limit a university's ability to promote loans other than federal loans.

"It comes from a concern the federal government has for higher education steering students towards certain lenders," Melecki said. "I'd love to be able to

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Lights, camera, political action



Photo Illustration by Ryan Edwards | Daily Texan Staff

Chemical engineering sophomore Paul Benefiel is creating a UT chapter of television host Stephen Colbert's half-serious political action committee, which will be called Texans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow.

Student begins first university chapter inspired by Colbert's super PAC

By **Andrew Messamore**
Daily Texan Staff

Following the lead of television host Stephen Colbert, chemical engineering sophomore Paul Benefiel is creating a UT chapter of the comedian's half-serious super political action committee, Americans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow.

Texans for a Better Tomorrow, Tomorrow, as the PAC will

be called, is the first university chapter of Colbert's PAC, which Colbert created to raise awareness about the increasing influence of super PACs in local, state and national elections, Colbert said. A second chapter has also been created at Duke University, Bloomberg reports.

Benefiel said he pitched the idea of creating a university chapter to the producer of The Colbert Report last fall, and only

discovered that he had been given approval to go ahead after seeing Colbert endorse the idea on his show last Thursday.

"I hatched the idea in my government class when Occupy Wall Street was starting, and talking with a few of my friends, I figured that this would be a better way to get the idea of change across," Benefiel said. "The Colbert PAC had a national message, a figurehead to organize around,

and college students naturally love and support him."

After the Supreme Court's decision in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, PACs have been able to become 'super PACs' that are allowed to accept unlimited donations to support their chosen candidate independently of that candidate's campaign.

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APD reports increased safety during Texas Relays

By **Sarah White**
Daily Texan Staff

Community safety and unity during the Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays has increased since previous years, according to Chief Raul Munguia of the Austin Police Department and Nelson Linder, president of the Austin chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Munguia said APD's biggest priority last weekend was managing traffic and large crowds in Austin.

"There has been a misconception in the past that the Texas Relays brings into Austin a rowdy crowd," Munguia said. "I have been trying to dispel that rumor, and I think we came a long way toward doing that this year."

He said he was approached on multiple occasions during the events by people who were surprised by the safe environment of the relays.

James Barr, meet director for the Texas Relays, said over 7,000 athletes were entered in the relays. He said 31 states and six countries were represented in the events.

"We work together for the entire scope of the event," Barr said. "We work with the different music venues and various other activities going on around the city to make sure that all events feed

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UT students rally against discriminatory labelling

By **Alexa Ura**
Daily Texan Staff

Sparked by the scrutiny of stereotypes uprooted by the killing of Trayvon Martin, more than 100 students rallied against discriminatory labels at the Main Mall Tuesday night.

Despite sudden rain, students and community members listened to speakers representing various minority groups on campus who spoke about their experiences with stereotypes and how they have been affected by the judgment of others

during the "Trayvon Martin Rally Against Stereotypes."

UT sophomores X'ene Taylor and Jasmine Graham organized the rally to speak out against the stereotypes that surrounded the Feb. 26 killing of 17-year-old African-American Trayvon Martin who was shot by neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman in Sanford, Fla. Taylor and Graham organized the event with help from the University's Black Student Alliance and other student organizations.

"I am not Trayvon Martin at 17,

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Zen Ren | Daily Texan Staff

Students gather Tuesday evening to listen to speakers representing campus minorities speak about stereotypes.



Thomas Allison | Daily Texan Staff

Student Government President-elect Thor Lund, left, and vice president-elect Wills Brown, right, prepare to be sworn in by outgoing President Natalie Butler and Vice President Ashley Baker Tuesday.

Lund, Brown sworn in as questions linger

By **Jody Serrano**
Daily Texan Staff

The challenges of the six-week election still reverberated as the new Student Government General Assembly took their place as the elected student voice of the University in its first meeting Tuesday.

Outgoing President Natalie Butler and Vice President Ashley Baker swore in president-elect Thor Lund

and vice president-elect Wills Brown at the meeting. Although Lund's victory last Thursday brought an end to one of the longest elections in recent years, the decisions transpiring throughout the election cycle will remain on SG's agenda for some time.

From now on, the SG Election Code, Internal Rules and Bylaws and Constitution will be reviewed by the UT Office of the Vice President of Legal Affairs, said Dean of Students

Soncia Reagins-Lilly.

Reagins-Lilly said Friday the Office of the Dean of Students will work with Lund, Brown and the new SG General Assembly to address concerns and clarify the Election Code, the document governing the campus-wide general elections.

"It's important to have these governing documents

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France's candidates toy with taxing rich

By Sarah DiLorenzo
The Associated Press

PARIS — French presidential candidate Francois Hollande, leading in polls but lacking in ideas that stick in voters' minds, finally dropped a bombshell: As president, he would levy a 75 percent tax on anyone who makes more than €1 million (\$1.33 million) a year.

The flashy idea from the normally bland Socialist proved wildly popular, fanning hostility toward executive salaries and forcing President Nicolas Sarkozy to defend his ostentatious friendships with the rich. It also unleashed debate in the French press about whether the wealthy would decamp for gentler tax pastures.

As much as France likes the plan, it does not seem to have assured Hollande's victory, which, just three weeks before the first round of voting, is growing more uncertain as Sarkozy reaps the benefits of projecting presidential mettle following France's shooting attacks.

Polls put the two men neck-and-neck in the first round April 22, and show Sarkozy gaining on Hollande for the decisive runoff May 6.

Centrist candidate Francois Bayrou has dismissed the plan as absurd — contending that when all was added up, the top bracket would be taxed at nearly 100 percent.

The "Fouquet's tax" — so named by some in the press after the tony restaurant where Sarkozy celebrated his 2007 presidential win — is riding and in part fueling a resurgence of the French left. The tax-the-rich proposal has garnered as much as 65 percent approval in some polls.

Many voters have swept right past Hollande and into the camp of far-left candidate Jean-Luc Melancon, who has electrified voters with calls for a new French revolution and who some polls say will come in third or fourth in the first round of elections. That could bleed support away from Hollande in the first round, depriving him of crucial momentum going into the second one.

French incumbent and Union for a Popular Movement candidate for presidential elections Nicolas Sarkozy gives a speech during a campaign meeting in Nancy, France on Monday.



Lionel Bonaventure
Associated Press



Nabil al-Jurani | Associated Press

Followers of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, seen in the posters, chant anti-Saudi and Bahraini governments slogans while waving Bahrain flags during a demonstration in Basra, Iraq on Friday.

Iraq stifled by sectarianism

By Hamza Hendawi
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Now that U.S. forces are gone, Iraq's ruling Shiites are moving quickly to keep the two Muslim sects separate — and unequal.

Sunnis are locked out of key jobs at universities and in government, their leaders banned from Cabinet meetings or even marked as fugitives. Sunnis cannot get help finding the body of loved ones killed in the war. And Shiite banners are everywhere in Baghdad.

With the Americans no longer here to play peacemakers and Sunni-ruled Gulf Arab nations moving to isolate Iraq, it's a development that could lead to an effective breakup of the country.

"The sectarian war has moved away from violence to a soft conflict fought in the state institutions, government ministries and on the street," said political

analyst Hadi Jalo. "What was once an armed conflict has turned into territorial, institutionalized and psychological segregation."

Despite occasional large-scale bombings, March recorded the lowest monthly toll for violent deaths since the 2003 U.S.-invasion.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, a Shiite hard-liner in office for nearly six years, does not tire from telling anyone who cares to listen that it was he who defeated "terrorism," the word he uses to refer to the Sunni insurgency.

Critics charge that al-Maliki is suspicious of all Sunnis, even those who never joined the insurgency or later abandoned it, and is punishing a community that lost its protectors when the Americans left Iraq in December, ending eight years of occupation.

Al-Maliki has denied allegations that his government is harassing or discriminating against Sunnis. He even bragged to Arab leaders

gathered for a summit meeting in Baghdad last week that "it is not an exaggeration to say that our success in national reconciliation can be an example to follow in Arab nations suffering from acts of violence and conflict."

But Vice President Tareq al-Hashemi, the administration's top Sunni official, is a fugitive wanted by prosecutors on terror charges. He fled to the self-ruled Kurdish region in northern Iraq to escape what he said would certainly be a politically motivated trial and left this week for Qatar, which has publicly criticized the marginalization of Sunnis.

Deputy Prime Minister Saleh al-Mutlaq, a Sunni, has been banned from attending Cabinet meetings because he called al-Maliki a dictator.

Ordinary Sunnis complain of discrimination in almost all aspects of life, including housing, education, employment and security.

NEWS BRIEFLY

IMF chief wants 'firepower' of \$1 trillion to deal with crises

WASHINGTON — The managing director of the International Monetary Fund said Tuesday that the global recovery is growing stronger but remains very fragile. She urged the international community to give her organization "more firepower" to help keep tottering economies from going under.

"We certainly need more resources," Christine Lagarde told the annual meeting of The Associated Press, without specifying how much more was needed. The IMF currently has about \$400 billion in resources that it can use to provide loans to countries in trouble. Lagarde has talked about expanding those resources to close to \$1 trillion.

Lagarde said the global economy is making some advances in digging itself out of the worst downturn in decades, but the recovery remains particularly frail in Europe.

She suggested cutting government spending too quickly in developed countries like the United States and larger European nations could make things worse, not better.

Iowa worker pees on furniture, gets laid off and pays damages

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa — An information technology worker accused of urinating on colleagues' chairs at an office in Iowa has surrendered to police.

The Des Moines Register reports that 59-year-old Raymond Foley turned himself in to face a charge of second-degree criminal mischief. A security system was installed which police say caught him in the act.

Police documents say Foley looked up employee photos in the agency database and then would go into the office during off hours and urinate on their chairs. The chair damage was estimated at \$4,500.

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OVERVIEW

Four years in high gear

The University is wasting little time plowing ahead with plans to dramatically increase its four-year graduation rates.

Late last month, the College of Liberal Arts sent an email to all of its students notifying them that the online system for declaring a major will be “deactivated indefinitely” by the end of March. Now liberal arts students have to speak with their advisers before doing so.

In addition, President William Powers Jr. announced Monday that Marc Musick, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and resident number-cruncher, is being appointed as a special assistant to the president in charge of overseeing the Office of New Student Services. Among other duties, he has been tasked with implementing changes to freshman summer orientation to make it more academically oriented. The incoming freshman class will be the first one subjected to mandatory orientation for all entrants.

The Task Force on Undergraduate Graduation Rates released its report in mid-February with the goal of achieving Powers’ target of a 70-percent four-year graduation rate. Currently, the University’s four-year graduation

rate is 51 percent, the highest among public institutions in the state but well behind many of the large public institutions UT compares itself to.

The University’s frenetic race to implement the report’s 50 recommendations is awe-inspiring, showing that at least when rankings are concerned, UT can shed its customary — that is, near-backward — pace of change, typically defined on its own measuring scale as “university miles per hour.”

Perhaps spurred by the piercing spotlight of federal and state eyes, the University is operating on the assumption of a campus-wide buy-in despite a half-hearted and exception-prone selling point of cost savings for students in the form of tuition they will not have to pay if they graduate on time.

But as the report itself points out, “for the University to achieve [its] goal, it must rethink some of the most venerable and long-standing practices and cultures on campus.”

And this fundamental culture change does not happen without the support of the students.

— The Daily Texan Editorial Board



Learning to love the lottery



By Stephen McGarvey
Daily Texan Columnist

With Friday’s \$656 million Mega Millions jackpot finally won, there is much renewed discussion about the lottery process, and on gambling in general. Opponents claim the lottery is essentially a tax on the poor and a watered-down version of gambling, which ultimately hurts our society. Supporters applaud the lottery as a way to bolster the economy and save public schools. Both are wrong. The lottery and similar forms of gambling are simply entertaining, relatively harmless parts of our society that should be encouraged.

It is no secret that winning the lottery is astronomically improbable. Anyone who plays is well aware of this. In fact, the odds of winning are printed on the back of each ticket. Most people purchase tickets for the whimsy of the experience, the thrill of the drawing or the social value of going in with friends or coworkers. Taking this away simply does not make sense.

Opponents claim the lottery is problematic because the poor spend more money on lottery tickets as a percentage of income than the wealthy. According to detractors, this disproportionately “taxes” them and takes away funds the poor could use for

food, clothing or more reliable investments. However, such arguments seem to completely ignore the fact that buying lottery tickets is all based on freedom of choice. To eliminate the lottery would be to eliminate a product that millions of Americans want, and as a government whose job is to represent the will of the people, removing it does not seem appropriate. The “we’re doing this for your own good” argument is frighteningly authoritarian and even condescending in nature to those who partake in the lottery.

But the reasons for encouraging the lottery extend far beyond those of personal individual freedoms. Thirty percent of revenue raised directly goes to benefit public schools — that’s \$1 billion per year just in Texas. Since education is already facing so many cuts, the state should be looking to bolster its revenue any way it can. Though it is true that lottery revenue does not currently account for a very large piece of the academic funding pie, anything is better than nothing. Furthermore, 70 percent of Texans said that they would rather have a lottery than pay higher taxes, according to the Austin American-Statesman. While the lottery’s effect on schools isn’t the savior some make it out to be, it is still a significant contribution that should not

be eradicated.

Other detractors equate the lottery to casino gambling, but this is a comparison of apples and oranges. Moreover, the lottery is not centralized like a casino, so vice cannot concentrate in one location. Any arguments against the lottery’s process are strictly based on personal morality and therefore have no place in political discussion.

As Texans, we love our lottery. It gives some of us entertainment and others a tax break, but everyone ultimately walks away satisfied. The state has discovered a great way to make a portion of tax revenue optional to only those who opt into it and similar ideas should be encouraged. For example, 57 percent of Texans prefer legalizing slot machines over paying higher taxes, according to a poll conducted by Perception Insight. It’s about time the government started listening to its people’s desires while simultaneously making a profit. But until Gov. Rick Perry and the Texas Legislature decide to start enacting more policies based on the desires of Texans rather than their personal, moral hesitations, these changes may never happen. The losers? Our already-struggling schools.

McGarvey is a business honors freshman.

Challenging racism in society

By Lucian Villaseñor
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

As public outrage grows toward the racist violence that African-Americans and people of color live with on a daily basis, the public is learning that incidents such as the murder of Trayvon Martin are not isolated or random occurrences. Trayvon’s murder is another example of the institutionalized racism that is alive and well in our society and often goes unchallenged—but no longer at the University of Texas.

On March 27 during the silent rally for Trayvon at the state Capitol, an extra current of antagonism ran through the crowd of nearly 500 people. A large contingent of UT students were talking about a racist cartoon that was published by The Daily Texan, the University’s official student newspaper, that same day.

Former UT student Chas Moore addressed the crowd, and soon after they took the streets of Congress, marching to City Hall, reminiscent of past Occupy Austin marches. Moore addressed the crowd at the end of the march and called upon them to link up the struggle of police brutality with LGBT and women’s rights. Michelle Uche, UT student and member of the International Socialist Organization on campus, led the crowd in a mic-check and said, “If there are any UT students who want to organize against this cartoon and other racist issues on campus, come over here!” Nearly 100 students stepped forward, and Uche’s friends quickly went to work handing out clipboards to collect contact information and facilitate the discussion with the large crowd using grassroots organizing skills they honed during months of participating in Occupy Austin.

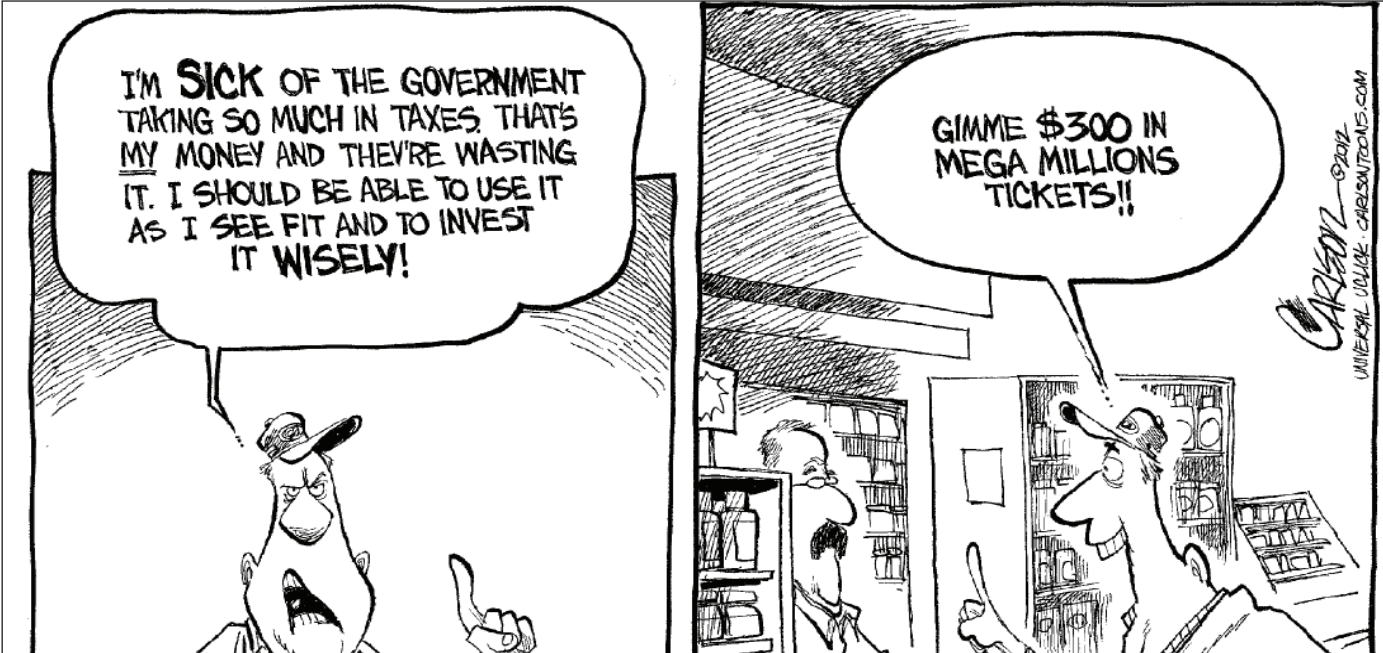
Uche and fellow students called for a picket of The Daily Texan office the next day, and nearly 100 students and faculty members rallied outside to demand the editorial board publicly apologize for publishing the cartoon, denounce the cartoonist by refusing to publish future comics and open up the editorial section to African-American studies professors and students. The conversation with the editorial board at the rally and comments from the online version of the newspaper revealed that board members as well as a large portion of students are not aware of the oppression that African-Americans, Latinos, Arabs, Asians or any person of color has to live with daily and the kinds of privileges that white people can take advantage of and abuse.

A few hours later, the editorial board published an apology, in which it said the cartoonist “no longer works for The Daily Texan.” Now some individuals on campus are trying to rally around re-instating the cartoonist under the guise of protecting free speech, going so far as to create an online petition that states that students are offended because of a “perceived racism within the cartoon itself.”

The cartoon is racist because it perpetuates the idea that anti-black racism is merely a myth or a bedtime story, when the reality is African-American males live in a color-blind society that overwhelmingly targets people of color and leaves them the victims of excessive force, false accusation and unfair sentencing. Allowing speech or imagery that depicts these kinds of ideologies puts people of color into a different class, a class below the white man, and allows for mistreatment, discrimination and oppression of one group onto another.

For those who say we should be patient for all the facts to come out, that we shouldn’t rush to conclusions: Tell me how many more Trayvons will be slain before we challenge the institutionalized racism that infects our society? How many more African-American men will die as victims of the system that steals their dignity day after day? The change isn’t going to come from above; it’s going to come from the bottom up, like with the students who fought to restore Trayvon’s name at UT, and the collective voices of those who are rising up to ensure we never have another Emmett Louis Till, Byron Elliott Carter or Trayvon Martin fall victim to the system.

Villaseñor is a Mexican-American studies senior.



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Above the “Kingfish” sculpture by Peter Reginato, workers install projectors for an art installation on the roof of the William Randolph Hearst building Tuesday afternoon. The installation will be featured in a dedication to Walter Cronkite in front of the Jesse H. Jones Communication Complex.

Shea Carley | Daily Texan Staff

By Rachel Thompson
Daily Texan Staff

In the 1930s, famed journalist Walter Cronkite walked the 40 Acres as a college student, fraternity member and Daily Texan writer.

Cronkite went on to have an extraordinary career in journalism, serving as the anchor and managing editor of the CBS Evening News and winning numerous prestigious awards throughout his life. UT will dedicate the Walter Cronkite Plaza in front of the Jesse H. Jones Communication Complex in his memory on April 19.

Nick Hundley, director of communications for the College of Communication, said

the dedication will feature a new public art installation by artist Ben Rubin, titled “And That’s the Way It Is,” in honor of Cronkite. Hundley said the College worked with Landmarks, the University’s public art program, to commission the art installation.

“And That’s the Way It Is” will project text drawn from Cronkite’s archived broadcasts as well as daily news, Hundley said, and will be visible to anyone walking by.

“The College of Communication is honoring the traditional values of journalism that Walter Cronkite epitomized — accuracy, courage, independence and integrity,” Hundley said.

Hundley said other departments

on campus contributed to the project, including the School of Information and the Briscoe Center for American History, which compiled archived transcripts from its Walter Cronkite papers.

School of Journalism associate director Wanda Garner Cash said the dedication commemorates one of UT’s most distinguished former students.

“Even though [Cronkite] has been out of journalism for a long time, his name still denotes strong commitment to the core journalism values we’re trying to inspire in our students,” she said.

Frank Serpas, Texas Student Media operations manager, said the technical equipment needed

for the projection is still being installed before it’s revealed in a couple of weeks. Six projectors are installed on the roof of the building, he said, and construction teams had to drill into the roof to run power through it.

Communication Council President Patrick White said he feels the Cronkite dedication will serve as a source of pride for the College of Communication, as well as the rest of the University.

“It gives a sense of credibility to what we do in a very soft way,” he said. “Walter Cronkite is a name that is known nationally, and I think it lives up to the hopes and desires we have for our majors, especially journalism.”

Tornadoes ravage Dallas area

By Jamie Stengle
& Nomaan Merchant
The Associated Press

DALLAS — Tornadoes and violent storms raked through the Dallas area Tuesday, crumbling the wing of a nursing home, peeling roofs from dozens of homes and spiraling big-rig trailers into the air like footballs. More than a dozen injuries were reported.

Overtaken cars left streets unnavigable and flattened trucks clogged highway shoulders. Preliminary estimates were that six to 12 tornadoes had touched down in North Texas, senior National Weather Service meteorologist Eric Martello said. But firm numbers would only come after survey teams checked damage Wednesday, he said.

In suburban Dallas, Lancaster Police officer Paul Beck said 10 people were injured, two of them severely. Three people were injured in Arlington, including two residents of a nursing home who were taken to a hospital with minor injuries after swirling winds clipped the building, city assistant fire chief Jim Self said.

“Of course the windows were flying out, and my sister is paralyzed, so I had to get someone to help me get her in a wheelchair to get her out of the room,” said Joy Johnston, who was visiting her 79-year-old sister at the Green Oaks Nursing

and Rehabilitation Center. “It was terribly loud.”

Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport canceled hundreds of flights and diverted others heading its way. Among the most stunning video was an industrial section of Dallas, where rows of empty tractor-trailers crumpled like soda cans littered a parking lot.

“The officers were watching the tornadoes form and drop,” Kennedale police Chief Tommy Williams said. “It was pretty active for a while.”

Most of Dallas was spared the full wrath of the storm. Yet in Lancaster, television helicopters panned over exposed homes without roofs and flattened buildings. Broken sheets of plywood blanketed lawns and covered rooftops.

Devlin Norwood said he was at his Lancaster home when he heard the storm sirens. He said he made a quick trip to a nearby store when he saw the funnel-shaped tornado lower, kick up debris and head toward his neighborhood.

“I didn’t see any damage until I got back home. We had trees destroyed, fences down, boards down, boards penetrating the roof and the house, shingles damaged,” said Norwood, 50, an accountant and graduate student.

Meteorologists said the storms were the result of a slow-moving storm system centered over northern New Mexico.



Vernon Bryant | The Dallas Morning News

People go through their belongings in an upstairs area after a tornado ripped the roof off their home in Arlington on Tuesday.

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AN AMERICAN CAMPUS COMMUNITY



McCombs students provide input

By Alexa Ura
Daily Texan Staff

Ethical business on a global level and skills-based courses are important issues to students in the McCombs School of Business.

The Undergraduate Business Council hosted the McCombs Curriculum Review Town Hall Meeting Tuesday in partnership with the Undergraduate Programs Committee to learn about students' perspective on possible changes to the school's undergraduate curriculum.

The four potential areas of improvement presented by the committee were curriculum core integration, business citizenship, higher emphasis on analytical thinking and higher emphasis on global perspectives.

Andrew Gershoff, committee member and marketing professor, coined the business citizenship idea and said it is important for students to gain a better understanding of the effect of business on the community, government and society as a whole.

"Understanding of this allows for better informed decisions that lead to better societies and not just short-term profitability," he said.

Most students agreed that the need for an increased global perspective is necessary to focus on businesses in the sense of the social

and global environment.

Katie Chapman, international business and Hispanic studies senior, said obtaining a global perspective of the business world while in college is beneficial to students.

"These benefits may not be very tangible or evident right out of school, but having the experience of studying abroad or taking a specialization course about the business culture of a country impresses employers," she said. "It's important to know how ethics vary across borders."

Among other concerns, students also talked about creating sequences for majors, tools used by professors and advising opportunities from professionals. Various students also said they would like a synchronization between core and upper-division courses so that quantitative skills, like Microsoft Excel, did not need to be revisited.

"We are looking for better teaching processes through standardization; where concepts are pulled from the core curriculum and taught upon in upper-division courses," said Leanna Swain, finance and business honors senior. "Instead of memorizing vocabulary words, we want to be pushed critically to solidify the concepts we are being taught."

McCombs currently offers 10 majors including a business honors degree and an accounting program,

which maintained its No. 1 rank for best program in the nation for the seventh year in a row.

The Undergraduate Programs Committee identified the potential areas for improvement during its four-month-long surveying of faculty, alumni and leadership in McCombs. The committee hoped to gain the student perspective at the town hall meeting, said committee member Bhargav Srinivasan, a finance and business honors senior.

"Our committee hopes to provide a more cross-sectional and integrated understanding of business concepts and how it operates in society," Srinivasan said. "This will allow our students to take what they learn in school and apply it to being ethical and well-rounded managers."

Beverly Hadaway, associate professor in the Department of Finance and faculty chair of the committee, said she was happy to see so many students at the town hall meeting.

"We are in the continuing process of trying to get input from various constituents of the college," she said. "But our most important constituents are, of course, the students."

There is currently no set time line for the implementation of a new curriculum, but the council will present a recommendation report to the deans by the end of the year.



Zen Ren | Daily Texan Staff

Erich Heilmann-Jensen, a computer science senior, usually studies in his room with natural light rather than the overhead fluorescent lights. The second annual Campus Conservation Nationals competition will encourage students across the United States to conserve energy in similar manners.

Dorms compete to reduce energy use

By Sylvia Butanda
Daily Texan Staff

Campus residence halls will attempt to reduce their energy use for the month of April as part of a national energy conservation challenge.

The second annual Campus Conservation Nationals competition's goal challenges university residence halls to decrease their energy consumption by one gigawatt. The Power of One Energy Competition on campus, which began on April 1 and will end on April 21, is part of CCN's national effort to reduce electricity and water use.

"Through Campus Conservation Nationals, hundreds of thousands of students are organizing their peers and campuses to find creative ways to reduce electricity and water consumption in buildings," said Andrew deCoriolis, director of engagement at Lucid Design Group, the clean tech software

company that founded CCN and one of this year's organizers of the national effort.

Meagan Jones, environmental specialist for the Division of Housing and Food Service, said DHFS has attempted to reduce energy through various means such as installing energy efficient equipment and lighting and efficient compressor systems for dining facilities, but students can help reduce the demand side of the energy.

Jones said students can save energy by unplugging electronics when not in use as electronics and chargers use energy when they're plugged into the outlets, even when they are off.

"Students can also save energy by turning off lights and using natural light when possible, using lamps instead of overhead lighting, taking the stairs instead of the elevators, washing clothes on cold and taking shorter showers, as it takes energy to make hot water," Jones said.

Geography senior Andrew Townsend, assistant director of the Campus Environmental Center, said this contest is important because it serves as a teaching tool to help students understand the importance of reducing their own energy use.

"These types of campaigns are very important and help reduce demand-side energy use, which in turn reduces pollution and costs," Townsend said. "In a world where both are skyrocketing, these are very important to reduce."

English freshman Rachel Cohen, president of Brackenridge, Roberts & Prather Residence Hall Council, said this program will draw residents' attention to just how much energy they use on a daily basis.

"It is vital to save energy for many reasons," Cohen said. "Not only does it cut cost[s] immensely, but it also helps the environment by producing less waste and using less electricity."

Eva Agoulnik, finance and business honors senior, asks a question during the Curriculum Review Town Hall Meeting in the McCombs School of Business Tuesday afternoon.



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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Karen Aston officially introduced as head coach

By Stefan Scrafield
Daily Texan Staff

Six years after leaving her post as recruiting coordinator at Texas, Karen Aston has rejoined the Longhorns, this time as their head coach. Aston, who is just the fourth head coach in program history, was introduced in a press conference at the Denton A. Cooley Pavilion on Tuesday morning. Al-

though the full details of the contract have yet to be released, it will be a five-year agreement that includes extension language.

"I'm thrilled to be back," Aston said. "It's great to be back at Texas and have the opportunity to coach these young women."

Aston served under Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame head coach Jody Conradt as an assistant at Texas from 1998-2006.

During their eight years together, the two led the Longhorns to seven tournament appearances, including a Final Four appearance in 2003.

"Aside from my high school coach, the biggest influence in my life as a basketball coach has been Jody Conradt," Aston said. "She made a tremendous difference in my life. I didn't know that until I left Texas. There is nobody that bleeds orange like she does. If I

can do anything even close to what Jody did as far as building tradition here at Texas, then I'll do my job well."

During her first stint with the Longhorns and throughout her coaching career, Aston has been known for her energetic coaching style and her relentlessness on the recruiting trail. During her time



Karen Aston
New head coach

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NOTRE DAME



Eric Gay | The Associated Press

Members of the Baylor Bears celebrate their national title victory over Notre Dame. The Bears finished the season a perfect 40-0 and dominated their competition all season long.

Bears trounce Fighting Irish to secure championship

By Doug Feinberg
The Associated Press

DENVER — Brittney Griner and Baylor left no doubt they're head and shoulders above any team in the country. In fact, they're perfect.

Griner had 26 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks to lead Baylor to a dominating 80-61 victory over Notre Dame in the NCAA women's basketball championship on Tuesday night, capping a 40-0 season for the Lady Bears.

They became the seventh women's team to run through a season unbeaten and the first in NCAA history to win 40 games. It was the second national championship for Baylor, which also won a title in 2005.

Baylor did it in a nearly wire-to-wire victory, finishing a season in which anything less than bringing a title back to Waco would have been

a huge disappointment.

And as she so often does, the 6-foot-8 Griner helped the Lady Bears take control. Every time Notre Dame made a run in the second half to cut into the deficit, Griner had an answer. She showed a wide array of post moves hitting turnaround jumpers and hooks that the Irish had no way to stop — even when they collapsed around her.

"Brittany Griner comes to work every day," Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said. "A lot of great players think they're all that and they half go through drills and they come to practice and they dog it. That child comes to work and brings her work pail every day."

Notre Dame fell short in the title game for the second straight season. The Irish lost to Texas A&M by six points last season. Notre

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Junior forward Brittney Griner and the Baylor Bears made history Tuesday evening, becoming the 10th team in NCAA women's history to finish with a perfect record.

Julie Jacobson
The Associated Press

Griner, company finish perfect 40-0



By Nick Cremona
Daily Texan Columnist

Forty up, 40 down. No team could touch the Bears this year.

Baylor earned its second women's basketball title with

a decisive win over an over-matched Notre Dame team that fell just short of the title for the second year in a row.

The Bears became the first team to reach 40 wins in a season, and their undefeated record of 40-0 gives them the 10th undefeated season in women's histo-

ry. This team hasn't quite reached the amazing level of Connecticut from 2009-2010 when it won 90 straight games, including two national championships, but they're not done yet either.

Post Brittney Griner was her

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SOFTBALL

Longhorns playing nearly flawless ball

By Garrett Callahan
Daily Texan Staff

As they continued their winning streak with decisive wins over No. 25 New Mexico Lobos (7-3) and Tulsa Golden Hurricane (9-1) at Red and Charline McCombs Field, the Longhorns continue to build confidence.

The doubleheader win for the Longhorns improved their record to 31-2 this season, ranking them as the No. 3 team in the country.

The Longhorns have combined offensive power, outstanding pitching and stingy defense to get to this level. The team is an offensive juggernaut with contributions coming across the board from many different players. In over 32 games, Texas has outscored its opponents 235-51. With eight players batting over .350, the lineup has combined for 38 home runs.

Taylor Hoagland leads the team with nine home runs and is one

home run away from tying the Texas career record. At the same time, Lexy Bennett's 41 RBIs makes her just one shy of the Texas career record of 139. In fact, the Longhorns boast five players with more than 20 RBIs, with several others certain to pass that mark by the season's end.

It isn't all about the hitting, however. The Texas pitchers have been equally dominant on the mound

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Andreina Velazquez | Daily Texan Staff

First baseman Lexy Bennett is one of the key ingredients to Texas' success this season. She's hitting .429 with a team leading 40 RBIs.

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Men's tennis heads to Baylor, seeks above .500 Big 12 record

After splitting matches on the opening weekend of conference play, Texas will try to get above the .500 mark when they take on Baylor today in Waco.

The No. 15 Longhorns dropped their opening match to No. 13 Oklahoma last Friday, but were able to rebound with a win over Oklahoma State on Sunday.

The Bears are ranked No. 32 and are led by the No. 21 ranked player, Mate Zsiga, and No. 87 ranked Roberto Maytin and the No. 42 ranked doubles team of Maytin and Marko Krickovic. Baylor (12-8) is looking to score its first conference win after dropping their opener to No. 30 Texas Tech last Saturday.

Leading Texas are freshman Soren Hess-Olesen, ranked No. 64, and junior Daniel Whitehead, ranked No. 97. In doubles, the Longhorns boast the No. 27 ranked duo of junior Chris Camillone and sophomore David Holiner, and the No. 50 pairing of junior Ben Chen and Whitehead.

While Baylor isn't as strong of a team as they have been recently, Texas shouldn't overlook this matchup.

"We always have a challenge with Baylor," said head coach Michael Center. "They always have great teams, so I expect a very tough match on Wednesday."

— Lauren Jey

Junior Blaire Luna and the rest of the Longhorns pitching staff have carried the team with a team ERA of 1.36.



Andreina Velazquez
Daily Texan Staff

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with all four starting pitchers sporting ERAs under two with a team average ERA of 1.36. Blaire Luna and Rachel Fox lead the team with 12 and nine wins, respectively. Over the course of the season, the pitching staff has a combined 256 strikeouts with Luna accounting for 134 of them.

Earlier in the season, head coach Connie Clark expressed concern about whether this group of Longhorns had the mental toughness and competitive spirit to stay focused and finish strong. So far, they have quieted her concerns with consistent and inspired play.

While they are almost in the exact position at this point in the season as they were last season, coach Clark believes this year's team has exhibited more confidence during games. She observed that the team continues to make the right adjustments when needed and really likes how the team "competed, even when we were down" in the recent game against New Mexico.

"You do not want to see a team panic," Clark said.

She was also impressed with how the Longhorns kept their composure and continued playing through the tough situations.

The Longhorns look to carry that composure forward as they prepare for a stretch of critical games against Big 12 Conference foes, including Missouri, Texas A&M, Kansas, Oklahoma State and Oklahoma. Texas currently sits atop the Big 12 with a 6-0 conference record, with Oklahoma and Missouri nipping at their heels.

Staying mentally tough and focused will be key to this critical stretch of games in the remainder of the season. The Longhorns clearly have their eyes on what they need to do and hope to continue their successful run into the postseason as far as they can go.

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usual self, recording 26 points and 13 rebounds as well as five blocks. Notre Dame's semi-famous point guard Skylar Diggins dropped 20 points but didn't shoot all that well. The rest of her team didn't either, going just 36 percent from the field. It was clear that Griner and the Bears were on a mission and that they would not be denied a perfect season.

Baylor held a 21 rebound advantage over the Irish in the end, and shot 50 percent on the night. The dominant performance was a fitting end to a season where the Bears were rarely challenged.

Head coach Kim Mulkey knew

what she was doing when she recruited Griner to play at Baylor, but even Mulkey has to be surprised at just how well Griner has played thus far in college. Mulkey has laid a solid foundation in Waco, and her coaching tree just supplied Texas with its new coach, Karen Aston.

With Griner set to enter her senior year, and key players like Odyssey Sims and Destiny Williams coming back as well, the Bears are looking to be in contention for another run at a perfect season. The Bears will be an experienced bunch and will have plenty of tournament time under their belts. This is Mulkey's second title at Baylor, and there's no

sign of her stopping any time soon.

Sure the Bears are enjoying having Griner on the team now, but her presence will also be felt long after she leaves Waco. Players like Griner come along once in a lifetime, and high school girls who are really good at basketball are going to want to identify with her for a long time.

Griner, Robert Griffin III and a resurgent men's basketball program have helped to put Baylor on the map in the sports world. It has yet to be seen what will come of the football program with RG3 leaving for the NFL, but it seems as if the basketball programs are going to be sticking around for awhile.

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Dame was trying to do something that no other team had done in the NCAA era by knocking off an unbeaten squad in the title game.

Instead, the Irish became the third team to lose in back-to-back championship games, joining Tennessee (2003 and 2004) and Auburn, which dropped three straight (1988, '89 and '90).

Coach Muffet McGraw's senior-heavy crew finished the season having gotten the best of rival Connecticut — the Irish won the Big East regular season title and defeated the Huskies in three-of-four meetings, including the national semifinal.

But like every team this year, Notre Dame couldn't solve Baylor and the most dominant player in women's basketball.

Griner, selected The Associated Press player of the year, also was named most outstanding player of the tournament.

"We wouldn't be here without my team," the junior said. "All the awards — none of that means anything. If I don't have my team here, we can't get this."

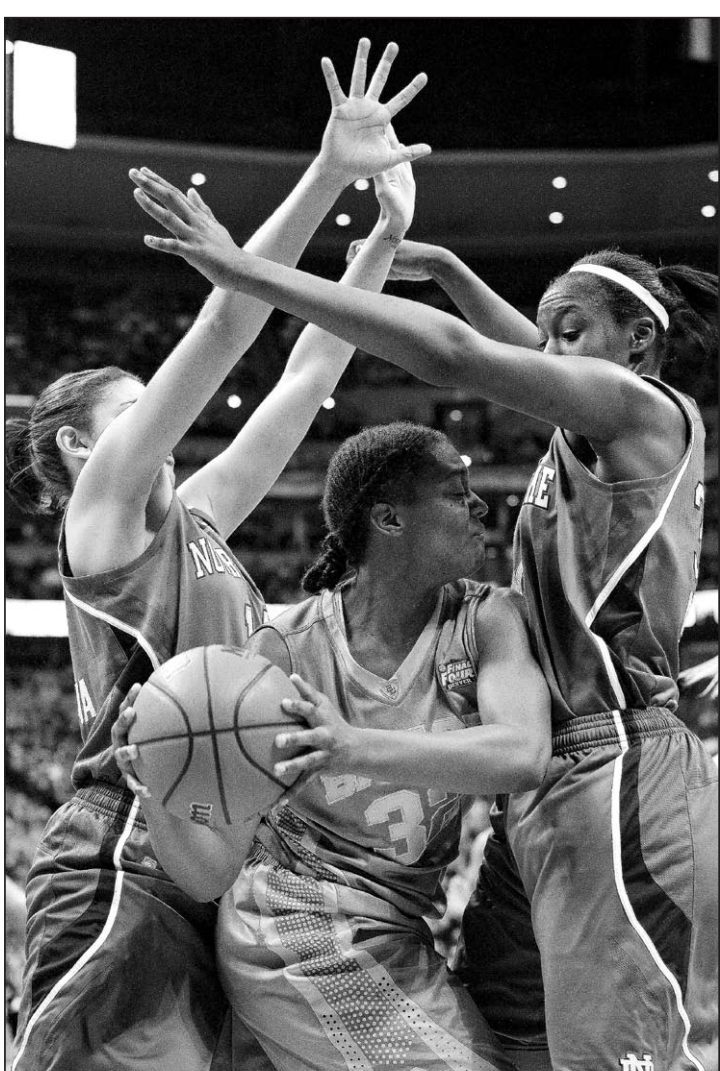
Skylar Diggins did all she could to keep the Irish (36-4) in the game, scoring 20 points. But she got little help. Senior Natalie Novosel had five points, going 0-for-11 from the field. Devereaux Peters, also playing in her final game, was saddled with foul trouble because of Griner. She only had seven points.

Like Griner, Diggins has pledged to return for her senior year — both could join the WNBA — and will try to make a third run at the title.

Notre Dame took an early 9-8 lead before Baylor took over with a 12-2 run. The Irish were down by 14 in the first half before cutting their deficit to 34-28 at the break. They got as close as 42-39 and had the ball, but Griner asserted herself, scoring nine of the next 19 points for Baylor to seal the victory.

Odyssey Sims added 19 points and Destiny Williams had 12 for the Lady Bears, who outrebounded Notre Dame 46-27 and now have the third unbeaten season in women's basketball in the last four years. UConn, which has gone undefeated four times, did it in back-to-back years in 2009 and 2010. Texas and Tennessee also have unbeaten seasons.

The victory also gave President Barack Obama some bragging rights. He correctly picked Baylor to beat Notre Dame in the title game.



Eric Gay | The Associated Press

Baylor forward/center Brooklyn Pope looks for an opening between two Notre Dame players during the national championship game.

With 1:04 left and the game well in hand, Mulkey took out Griner and the two shared a long hug. Mulkey was able to crack a bright smile despite battling Bell's palsy.

Mulkey has now won a title as a player (at Louisiana Tech), an Olympic gold medal (in 1984) two titles as a coach. Only five women's coaches have more than one championship at the top level of NCAA competition.

Mulkey has downplayed the 40 wins, noting that her former coach and mentor at Louisiana Tech Leon Barmore won 40 games in 1980. That was before women's basketball was governed by the NCAA, which didn't begin keeping records until the 1982 season.

It was the second meeting between the teams this season. Baylor also won the first one, by 13 in Waco on Nov. 17. That one gave the Lady Bears the preseason WNIT title.

As usual, Griner put on a show in warmups, thrilling the crowd with a series of impressive dunks — including a one-handed throw down, a double-

pump slam and another in which she hung on rim. She has already dunked twice in the tournament, matching Candace Parker for most dunks by a woman in NCAA tournament play and during a college career (seven).

She couldn't catch one against the Irish.

The Lady Bears had a strong cheering section that included Heisman Trophy winner Robert Griffin III — dancing in his seat at the end of the game — and country music star Trace Adkins. He was a freshman walk-on football player at Louisiana Tech in the early 1980s when Mulkey was a senior there.

Adkins missed the Lady Bears 2005 title, but started following Mulkey and the Lady Bears when they played in the 2010 Final Four in San Antonio. He gave her a pair of custom-made boots before the game.

Notre Dame had its own star fan in former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, who earned a graduate degree at the school. The Irish were wearing their green uniforms for the first time since last season's title loss.

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5 Walt Disney had 26 of them

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Ryan Edwards | Daily Texan Staff

Southwestern University studio art senior Kirby Crone took notice of Zola's work when it was shown at Magnolia Cafe last year.

"Her work is pop art meets that really campy style," Crone said. "It's just everything you love from childhood with glitter. How can you not like that?"

Zola has certainly paid her dues. When she first began her glitter art, Zola sold her pieces at festivals for a mere \$15 or \$20. She found it hard to compete with the jewelry vendors who were getting more attention from customers.

"It was horrible," Zola said. "As an artist in Austin, you really have to hustle. You have to make sure you have shows booked every month."

Now, she sells her pieces for \$600-1,000, allows customers to pay off the pieces in installments, and takes commissions.

The process of creating glitter art is a tedious one. Each piece must be done horizontally because otherwise the glitter will not adhere to the canvas. Each color of glitter is applied separately and must fully dry before another color can be applied. Because it takes so long to complete each piece, Zola works on multiple pieces at a time.

Zola has made mistakes

“
Her work is pop art meets that really campy style. It's just every thing you love from childhood with glitter.

— Kirby Crone
Studio art senior

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while working on pieces, but she finds that her mistakes are usually great ways to pick up interesting new techniques. She believes that sometimes the artist must not confine themselves to one idea, and instead see where the art takes them.

Though a job that is not confined to an organized nine-to-five routine can be stressful at times, Zola constantly reminds herself of how lucky she is to be doing what she loves in a city she adores. She raves about her newlywed status (Zola and Tyson tied the knot last September) and her four cats, which she refers to as her “fur babies.”

“If you find something that makes you happy, turn it into a job,” Zola said. “It’s made me such a happier person.”

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ardry and don't actually move the plot along. And the plot isn't too much itself: the usual cliché of a love divided by social class.

Yet, watching it again, whether in IMAX 3-D on a re-release or on two 10-year-old videotapes, you cannot help feel a sense of awe when the ship lifts up in the ocean before its slow descent into the deep water. The film is made with such conviction by Cameron that bad lines and a wafer-thin plot fall by the wayside, and you become entranced by its epic scope.

"Titanic" was meant to be a Film with a capital F, and you wholeheartedly accept that while watching it. In an age of cynicism, there is something to be said for three hours of cinematic relief, thinking you would find a love like Jack and Rose's, let that hand go, hold onto a blue jeweled necklace for decades and drop it when you're 80 years old.

Much of the film's significance and power now comes from its broader pop cultural context. You can yell out, "I'm the king of the world!" or hum the first few notes of "My Heart Will Go On" and people get it immediately. It's almost as if millions upon millions



TITANIC 3D
James Cameron
Genre: Action-Romance
Runtime: 194

of us were on the ship itself in seeing "Titanic."

Even though "Titanic" had such mammoth success, movie studios have yet to try and repeat its formula in any major way. Instead of moving

in the same vein as "Titanic," movie studios have continued on with big action films, while independent films become grittier and smaller, both sides forgetting the universality and earnestness with which "Titanic" was made.

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Katie Cooper prepares to jump from a cliff at the Barton Creek Greenbelt Tuesday afternoon.

Thomas Allison
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senior citizens get a discount.

Barton Springs Pool

Of course, one of the most popular sites for summer shenanigans is Barton Springs Pool on the Zilker Park grounds, just off of Barton Springs Road. It's the fourth largest spring in Texas with a length of over 900 feet, and it is 68 degrees throughout the year — that's colder than you think.

"I like that it's all natural and the scenery is really cool," said art history junior Devin Tayne. "It's always cool and refreshing. I love how there is a diving board. You can only swim for so long, but diving boards keep it fun."

From 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., \$3 gets you access to a sprawling lawn to lie out on and a pool of water that seems too clean to be natural.

"The water is 15 feet at the deepest, so me and my friend practice diving there," said microbiology junior Johnny Bender. It's fun to swim around the seaweed."

Sculpture Falls

This area of the Greenbelt is a truly remarkable gift of nature. The flowing water has carved the limestone into individual bathtubs that you can sit in if the water is low enough. Where the water is higher, there is a drop off that you can jump off of and a rope swing for added fun.

Get there by taking Capital of Texas Highway to Scottish Woods Trail. Once you get to a "T" in the road, find somewhere to park in the residential area and hike the rest of the way. Be sure to prepare

for the hike back up before getting too exhausted from being in the sun all day.

Julie Welch, a graphic design junior at St. Edward's University who wrote her final field guide (similar to a senior thesis) on swimming holes this year, said that Sculpture Falls is her favorite destination.

"It's free. You can bring your dog. There are a lot of hiking trails nearby and you can follow the path to other Greenbelt locations," Welch said.

Hamilton Pool

If you're up for the drive, take a trip to Dripping Springs to visit Hamilton Pool. Take 71 west, turn left on FM 3238 Hamilton Pool Road and after about 13 miles, the pool will be on

your right. The park is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and costs \$10 per vehicle.

An entire side of the pool is a giant 50-foot limestone waterfall that never stops flowing, slowing down to a trickle during times of drought. You can climb up on the rocks to seek shade from the sun or enjoy a quarter-mile trail that connects to the pool.

"It's cool because it's really remote and exclusive," Welch said. "If you have the time to go, it's nice to get a little outside of Austin for a bit. There are some downsides: You can't bring your dog and you have to pay per car, so you should carpool."

So get out there and take advantage of our Texas limestone and the beautiful weather that Austin has been having. Who says it's not summer yet?

Hippie Hollow

Location: 7000 Comanche Trail

Hours: 9 a.m. to dark

Cost: \$10 per day + \$2 for cars

Amenities: Public/legal nudity, hiking trails, drinking water and restrooms available

Barton Springs Pool

Location: 2201 Barton Springs Road

Hours: 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. Closed Thursdays.

Cost: \$3 for adults

Amenities: Cool and natural water, bathrooms, parking across the street, lawn for sunbathing

Sculpture Falls

Location: On the Greenbelt

Hours: All hours

Cost: Free

Amenities: Pets allowed, rope swing, smaller cliffs, swimming and sun bathing

Hamilton Pool

Location: 24300 Hamilton Pool Road, Dripping Springs

Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per vehicle

Amenities: 50-foot waterfall, quarter-mile hiking trail

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has seen hundreds of survivors of interpersonal violence who come in for help regarding these issues and who get involved through prevention efforts.

"Because we have such a strong student response and interest in the topic, it seems [interpersonal violence] affects just about everybody in some way," Bost said.

The event offers the opportunity for speakers to address the everyday micro-aggressions when people of any sexual orientation are referred to with negative language. Individuals who attend the event take a stand and support others through sharing the experiences of family and friends or their own in a safe setting.

"Take Back the Night is a historical event that's been going

on since the '70s," said Erin Burrows, prevention and outreach specialist at VAV. "It was a march for a community to literally take back the streets and light up the night with candles, protests, signs and chants."

Burrows said it has since evolved into a different kind of event at UT where the platform is centered on an open mic speak-out.

Aside from Take Back the Night, the Voices Against Violence program will hosts various other events, including the Theatre for Dialogue performances, which are interactive theater pieces that students perform across campus for classes, student organizations and departments.

"Through our performances,

we try to show how to identify when something is a problem and how we support a friend who may be experiencing an abusive or unhealthy relationship," said Lynn Hoare,

Theatre for Dialogue spokeswoman. "The performances act as a way to prepare people to actively respond as an ally if they find themselves in a situation [of sexual assault]."

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GLITZ & GLAM



By Jessica Lee
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In 1999, artist Sue Zola decided she had had enough of the East Coast's cold winters. The Connecticut native was ready to escape her fast-paced life, so she packed up her car with all of her belongings and ended up in Austin. The live music capital proved to be the perfect setting for a woman with plans to sing jazz music, but her plans did not work out the way she expected them to.

While looking around a local Goodwill store, Zola stumbled upon an interesting picture frame. The frame sparked a memory of a dream Zola had one night, and she immediately purchased the frame and created a piece of art-

work to go inside it.

What separates the artwork Zola does from a typical artist is that her medium is glitter.

Zola's glitter art can currently be seen at Halcyon, a coffee, bar and lounge. Because of the positive reception her work has been receiving, Halcyon extended her show into the summer months.

"I definitely call myself the pioneer of glitter art," Zola said. "It seems every time I show my work somewhere, another glitter artist pops up in that area."

Zola's husband David Tyson calls his wife "exciting, boisterous and creative" and feels those same qualities shine through in her art.

"I think that her artwork is some of the most original I've

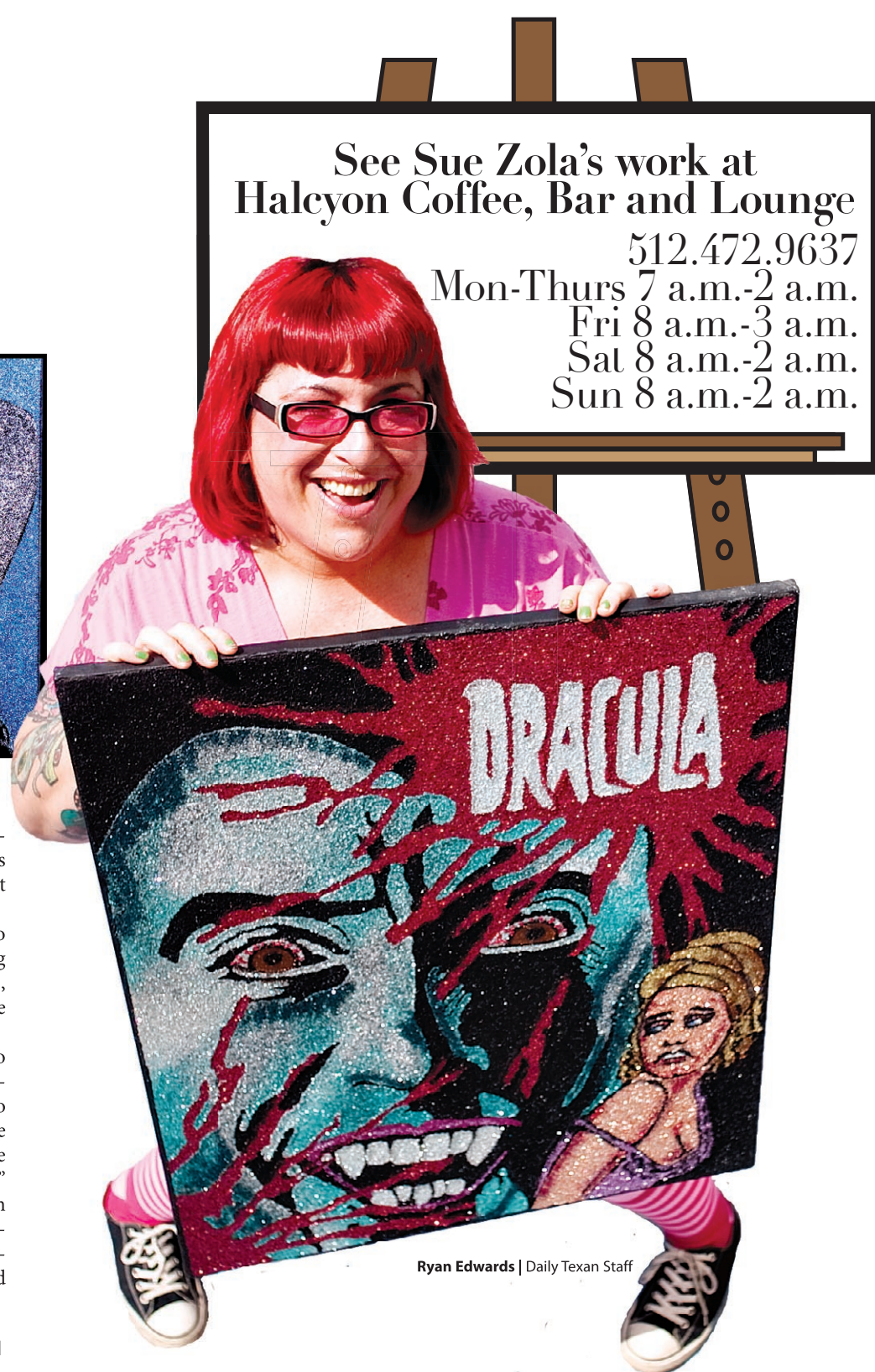
ever seen," Tyson said.

From vintage cowgirls to Frankenstein to Bob Dylan, Zola has found that she can make glitter art of just about anything.

A recent nostalgia kick led to the creation of pieces featuring old-school food box characters, such as Tony the Tiger and the Kool-Aid Man.

Zola's quirky style has also caught the eye of quite a few Hollywood stars. Quentin Tarantino commissioned a portrait of Bruce Lee. Nick Offerman, otherwise known as "Parks and Recreation's" breakout character Ron Swanson was given a portrait of Tim Curry, a la "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," by his wife, "Will and Grace's" Megan Mullally.

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Cinematic classic 'Titanic' returns to theaters in 3-D



The 1997 film "Titanic" is being re-released today as "Titanic 3D" in theaters and IMAX. The movie became a cultural zenith upon release and was for over a decade the highest grossing film of all time.

Rick Lynch
The Associated Press

By Chris Nguyen
Daily Texan Staff

Standing 882 feet long and 175 feet tall and holding over 2,000 passengers, the RMS Titanic certainly fit its mythical billing as an unsinkable ship. Of course, it infamously and tragically sank due in part to the ego of the crew. Yet, the 1997 film "Titanic," made by director, screenwriter and producer James Cameron whose hubris matched the ship, did not meet such a fate, as anyone who was breathing at the tail end of the decade can attest.

Instead, the film kept going on and on and on, just like Celine Dion's "My Heart Will Go On," the film's theme song. Now, "Titanic" will return to the big screen in a re-release today as "Titanic 3D," just in time for the 100th anniversary of the ship's sinking.

In a year when action films had just about completed their dominance of movie theaters, "Titanic," a pure love story, filled the appetites for those looking for more than just fist fights and explosions. It became a truly word-of-mouth movie, grossing \$28 million in its opening weekend and earning \$20 million a week for nine more weeks. "Titanic" went on to become the highest grossing film of all time by a wide margin, until Cameron's own "Avatar" usurped the title.

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Take Back the Night fosters education on sexual violence

By Elizabeth Hinojos
Daily Texan Staff

In 2000, Jane Morgan Bost wrote a grant to the U.S. Department of Justice to get funding for the first on-campus program to combat interpersonal violence affecting UT students. After this call to action for comprehensive victim services, the program received funding, and Voices Against Violence came to fruition a year later.

To kick off Sexual Assault Awareness month, VAV will host the ninth annual Take Back the Night event today. It allows people to speak out as allies and bystanders around these issues in an open place.

According to a study conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice, completed and attempted rapes occur at a rate of 35 per every 1,000 female students.

"We see survivors of inter-

personal violence who come by the center and seek our individual and group counseling and advocacy services," said Bost, who is now director of Voices Against Violence.

These services include providing specific information on how survivors can acquire safety planning and how to navigate the legal system and medical resources. Bost said the program

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Take Back the Night

Date: Wednesday, April 4

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Location: Main Mall

Tickets: Free and open to the public

Beat the Austin heat with these cool swimming spots

By Karin Samelson
Daily Texan Staff

The temperatures are getting high, and we are lucky to live in a city overflowing with outdoor activities. Here's The Daily Texan's guide to the best swimming holes in and around Austin for some quality chill time as spring unfolds.

The Land Bridge

The most exhilarating place on the Barton Creek Greenbelt is the land bridge, a stretch of land and water 7.25 miles long. This location is sometimes referred to as "the cliffs" because that's exactly what it is: three tiers of cliffs adjacent to the water, each one for a different level of thrill-seekers.

You get can there by taking South Lamar Boulevard, turning right on Barton Skyway and taking a left on Rae Dell Avenue. Continue until you reach a cul-de-sac, park and follow the trail until you reach the cliffs. If you get lost, just follow the screams and cheers.

The first tier is about 10 feet high, the second is about 30 and the third is a knee-trembling 50 feet in the air. The third level is not for the faint of heart, seeing as the water has been 7 to 8 feet recently. Practice precaution when jumping off the cliffs, especially if you're taller, because it's very easy for your legs to hit the bottom.

On a warm day, you can sun-



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Guy Page, 5, practices his best Hulk impression at the Land Bridge in the Barton Creek Greenbelt Tuesday afternoon. Recent rains have increased water levels throughout the Greenbelt.

bathe and witness daredevils doing back flips and gainers off of all levels. Be sure to bring minimal belongings, and wear shoes with a lot of traction to make your climb easier.

Hippie Hollow

This location is not for the inhibited. Hippie Hollow is about 20 minutes away from campus on Lake Travis. You can be openly nude from 9 a.m. to dark for \$10 per day, plus a \$2 surcharge

for each vehicle. If you're liberated or dream of living in a nudist colony someday, Hippie Hollow may be a great kick-start.

This park is located on 109 acres along the rocky shoreline of Lake Travis. Boaters on the lake often drive over to witness the spectacle of nudists absorbing the sunny weather, so don't go on thinking that this is a private affair; it's for everyone's enjoyment.

The hollow is 18 and up, and

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The Land Bridge

Location: On the Greenbelt

Hours: All hours

Cost: Free

Amenities: Sun bathing spots, hiking trails, cliff jumping/climbing, swimming